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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4, 7 and 11 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 5, 6 and 8-10 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date ____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The references listed in the information disclosure statements submitted on 11/13/03 has been considered by the examiner (see attached PTO-1449).

Specification

2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: During prosecution of the application, the subject matter of the claims might be changed.

Accordingly,

- claim 1 should be deleted on line 16, page 2.
- claim 7 should be deleted on line 7, page 3.
- By deleting claim 1 and claim 7 in the specification, their subject matter should be included in the specification.

Appropriate correction is required.

3. The following guidelines illustrate the preferred layout for the specification of a utility application. These guidelines are suggested for the applicant's use.

Arrangement of the Specification

As provided in 37 CFR 1.77(b), the specification of a utility application should include the following sections in order. Each of the lettered items should appear in upper case, without underlining or bold type, as a section heading. If no text follows the section heading, the phrase "Not Applicable" should follow the section heading:

- (a) TITLE OF THE INVENTION.
- (b) CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS.
- (c) STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT.

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- (d) THE NAMES OF THE PARTIES TO A JOINT RESEARCH AGREEMENT
- (e) INCORPORATION-BY-REFERENCE OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED ON A COMPACT DISC (See 37 CFR 1.52(e)(5) and MPEP 608.05. Computer program listings (37 CFR 1.96(c)), "Sequence Listings" (37 CFR 1.821(c)), and tables having more than 50 pages of text are permitted to be submitted on compact discs.) or REFERENCE TO A "MICROFICHE APPENDIX" (See MPEP § 608.05(a). "Microfiche Appendices" were accepted by the Office until March 1, 2001.)
- (f) BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION.
 - (1) Field of the Invention.
 - (2) Description of Related Art including information disclosed under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- (g) BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.
- (h) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S).
- (i) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION.
- (j) CLAIM OR CLAIMS (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (k) ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE (commencing on a separate sheet).
- (l) SEQUENCE LISTING (See MPEP § 2424 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. A "Sequence Listing" is required on paper if the application discloses a nucleotide or amino acid sequence as defined in 37 CFR 1.821(a) and if the required "Sequence Listing" is not submitted as an electronic document on compact disc).

4. The above headers (f) through (i) should be inserted preceding appropriate paragraphs in the specification. Accordingly,

- Insert "BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION" preceding line 11 of page 2.
- insert "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S)" preceding line 8 of page 3.
- insert "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION" preceding line 21 of page 3.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

5. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

6. Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding claim 8, the phrase "such as" renders the claim indefinite because it is unclear whether the limitations following the phrase are part of the claimed invention. See MPEP § 2173.05(d).

Accordingly, "such as" should be deleted from the claim. In addition, insert "the" before "electronic apparatus" in line 19 of page 10.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

7. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

8. Claims **1-4, 7, 11** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Huddleston et al** (US 4, 780,910).

Regarding claim 1, Huddleston discloses a wireless data communication device (Fig. 3, receiver 10), the device including an oscillator circuit (see Fig. 9), which produces high frequency signals, and a signal processing unit (Fig. 3, microcomputer 35) connected to the oscillator circuit, wherein a connection structure of one pad of the oscillator circuit, which produces the high frequency signals, is arranged to act as antenna for the transmission of data by means of stray signals transmitted by the

connection structure (see col. 15, lines 34-52), and wherein the processing unit provides at least one control signal to the oscillator circuit, said control signal depending upon the data to be transmitted by means of the stray signals (see col. 16, line 63 – 65 and col. 17, lines 26-51). As to the limitation regarding a “portable object”, it is noted that the receiver 10 would obviously be “portable” in order for a technician to be able to carry it for installation. Therefore, the claimed limitations are made obvious by Huddleston.

Regarding claim 2, it is clear that Huddleston would disclose the control step of switching on or off as claimed (see col. 17, lines 42-51).

Regarding claim 3, it is clear that Huddleston would disclose the step of frequency modulation as claimed (see col. 17, lines 25-41).

Regarding claim 4, it is clear that Huddleston would disclose the step of extracting the received data as claimed (see col. 15, line 63 – col. 16, line 14).

Regarding claim 7, it is clear that Huddleston would disclose an electronic apparatus as claimed (see col. 15, lines 48-52 regarding the display unit).

Regarding claim 11, it is clear that Huddleston would disclose an electronic apparatus (display unit 12) with a transmitter as claimed (see Fig. 3, col. 8, lines 13-32).

Allowable Subject Matter

9. Claims 5-6 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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10. Claims 8-10 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

11. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- US 20050014534A1 to **Harreng** et al,
- US004803487A to **Willard** et al,
- US005960367A to **Kita**,
- US006218958B1 to **Eichstaedt** et al,
- US006549791B1 to **Jeon** et al, and
- US005099348A to **Huddleton** et al.

12. **Any response to this action should be mailed to:**

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or communications from the examiner should be directed to Duc M. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-7893, Monday-Thursday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM).

Or to Doris To (Supervisor) whose telephone number is (571) 272-7629.

Duc M. Nguyen, P.E.

Feb 15, 2006

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Duc M. Nguyen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.